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TOPIC Soviet Military Rail Shipments

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The following Soviet rail shipments were observed between 21 and 30 April 1950:

21 April 1950

1. Fifteen railroad cars loaded with potash were seen going from Potsdam to Jueterbog for

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23 April 1950

2. Ten railroad cars loaded with radial aircraft engines, and accompanied by air force personnel, were seen going from Brandenburg to Dessau-Rooslau

26 April 1950

3. Twelve railroad cars loaded with ammunition, and escorted by air force personnel, were seen going from Jueterbog to Doberitz. They were dispatched by

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29 April 1950

4. Six railroad cars loaded with ammunition, escorted by soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets, were observed going from Doberitz to Koethen. They were dispatched by
- Eight railroad cars loaded with unidentified goods, escorted by artillery soldiers were observed going from Fuerstenberg to Jueterbog. They

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30 April 1950

5. Eight railroad cars loaded with ammunition, escorted by air force personnel, were seen passing through Seddin toward Jueterbog. Five west-bound troop trains carrying about 200 armored vehicles, and presumably coming from the direction of Cottbus, were seen passing through Beelitz-Stadt on 17 April 1950,

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6. The following Soviet rail shipments were observed on 26 April 1950:

a. Three flatcars, each loaded with three 3x3x1-meter boxes with Russian inscriptions "handle with care: glass", and two boxcars loaded with grease or oil were seen going from Strausberg-Stadt to Dallgow-Doberitz. They were escorted by soldiers wearing black epaulets. They were dispatched by unit

b. Seven flatcars, each carrying two 41 guns of about 40-mm caliber on two-wheel mounts with limbers, and one flatcar carrying four 41 guns of about 40-mm caliber, were seen going from Strausberg-Stadt to Muerstenwalde. They were dispatched by

7. A train carrying 35 to 40 trucks and motorcycles was observed in Juckenwalde on 4 May 1950.

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8. Two boxcars loaded with unidentifiable equipment were observed en route from Seifhennersdorf to Bernau. They were dispatched by the Seifhennersdorf Vereinigung Volkseigener Betriebe, Konfektionsbekleidungswerk (Union of people's Owned Enterprises, Factory for Ready-made Textiles) for [REDACTED] Bernau. (3)

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- [REDACTED] Comments.  
(1) In view of available railroad lines it seems improbable that the trains should have run as stated. Should the trains have actually come from the direction of Cottbus, they may have carried tank units of the 9th Pecz Div. The component units of this division held their 1949 summer exercises in the Werder-Markendorf area. Their 1950 training area is not yet known.

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- (2) [REDACTED] this was a shipment of Third Gds Pecz Army headquarters units. The headquarters units of this army are holding their exercises in the Werder-Markendorf area, the same location in which they were held in 1949.

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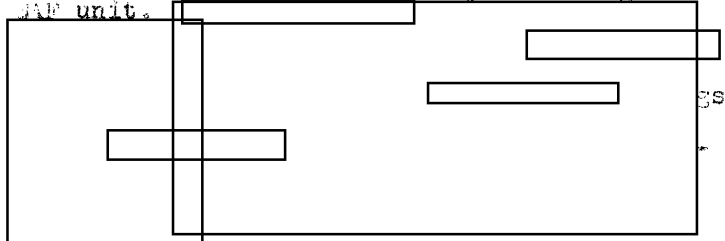
[redacted] has been repeatedly reported from Jueterbog in connection with shipments of military goods; it was last observed with a unit receiving rocket launchers. [redacted]

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[redacted] repeatedly reported from Jueterbog in connection with shipments of military goods, most recently in March 1950, and presumably belongs to a Jueterbog-Litos Lager unit.

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